

ABSTRACT

~~Provided is a network device for generating print data in accordance with the information resources received from outside, and sending the print data to a printer, which can easily install or update a color conversion table or a printer driver, etc. necessary for generating the print data.~~

~~Whereby, the network device for generating print data in accordance with the information resources received from outside, and sending the print data to a printer is configured to be able to, by itself, access a prescribed site on the network at the prescribed time, such as when the printer is tuned on, and appropriately download a color conversion table or a printer driver, etc. in order to utilize it.~~ A network device generates print data in accordance with information resources received from outside, and can then easily install or update a color conversion table, a printer driver, etc., necessary for generating print data. Print related information necessary for generating print data is automatically acquired from a prescribed location on the network at a prescribed time by the network device, such as when the printer is turned on. When the prescribed location where the print related information is installed changes to a different prescribed location, the print related information which is acquired from the prescribed location on the network contains information concerning the different prescribed location on the network to be accessed upon the next acquisition of print related information. In some embodiments, the network device is incorporated into the printer, so that the printer automatically acquires and installs the print related information necessary for generating print data.